

Audit and Governance Committee

Agenda

Date: Friday, 27th September, 2013
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Committee Suite 2/3 - Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relevant to the work of the Committee.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

It is not required to give notice of the intention to make use of public speaking provision, however, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours notice is encouraged.

For requests for further information

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4. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 10)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2013.

As previously requested by the Committee details of progress with actions arising from the minutes are appended to the minutes for information; any further updates will be reported at the meeting.

5. **Audit Findings Report 2012/13 - Grant Thornton** (Pages 11 - 56)

To receive and comment upon the Audit Findings Report, and to approve the Letter of Representation to be signed by the Interim Chief Monitoring Officer.

6. **Financial Resilience - Grant Thornton Review of the Council's Arrangements** (Pages 57 - 92)

To receive and comment upon the Financial Resilience Report for 2012/13 prepared by the Grant Thornton, Council's External Auditors.

7. **Statement of Accounts (Audited) 2012/13** (Pages 93 - 98)

To approve the Statement of Accounts for the year.

8. **Annual Governance Statement 2012/13** (Pages 99 - 124)

To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2012/13 to accompany the Statement of Accounts and be published on the Council's website.

9. **Public Sector Internal Audit Standards and Audit Charter** (Pages 125 - 136)

To note the report and that the Charter will be submitted to the Committee for approval in November.

10. **Treasury Management Update** (Pages 137 - 154)

To note the treasury management activity for the period April – July 2013.

11. **Risk Management Update** (Pages 155 - 176)

To note and comment upon the update report on risk management which is being circulated for Member's information.

12. **Compliance with Contract Procedure Rules** (Pages 177 - 182)

To consider the revised procedures, and to note the delegated decisions and non-compliances since September 2012.

13. **Work Plan 2013/14** (Pages 183 - 190)

To consider the Work Plan for 2013/14, to note the changes made since it was last considered in June, and to determine any further amendments.